Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1639–1643, and S. Res. 285.

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Measures Passed:

Criminal Antitrust Anti-Retaliation Act: Senate passed S. 42, to provide anti-retaliation protections for antitrust whistleblowers, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Festival of Diwali: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 277, recognizing the religious and historical significance of the festival of Diwali, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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Revised Edition of the Standing Rules of the Senate: Senate agreed to S. Res. 285, authorizing the Committee on Rules and Administration to prepare a revised edition of the Standing Rules of the Senate as a Senate document.

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Measures Considered:

Employment Non-Discrimination Act—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 815, to prohibit the employment discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity.

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 61 yeas to 30 nays (Vote No. 229), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, November 5, 2013, and that

all time during adjournment, recess, and morning business count post-cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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Water Resources Reform and Development Act—Conferees: The Chair announced the following conferees for H.R. 3080, to provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources: Senators Boxer, Baucus, Carper, Cardin, Whitehouse, Vitter, Inhofe, and Barrasso.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Gregory Howard Woods, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

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By a unanimous vote of 90 yeas (Vote No. EX. 228), Debra M. Brown, of Mississippi, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Mississippi.

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Measures Read the First Time: Page S7795

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Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

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Amendments Submitted: Page \$7799

Privileges of the Floor: Page \$7799

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—229)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 7:12 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, November 5, 2013. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$7800.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, November 12, 2013 pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 62.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1015)

H.R. 3190, to provide for the continued performance of the functions of the United States Parole Commission. Signed on October 31, 2013. (Public Law 113–47)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2013

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Subcommittee on Conservation, Forestry and Natural Resources, to hold hearings to examine wildfires, 2:30 p.m., SR–328A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine housing finance reform, focusing on protecting small lender access to the secondary mortgage market, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Sub-committee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security, to hold hearings to examine the United States aviation industry and jobs, focusing on keeping American manufacturing competitive, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Sub-committee on Oversight, to hold hearings to examine methane emissions from oil and gas operations, 2:30 p.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine the online Federal health insurance marketplace, focusing on enrollment challenges and the path forward, 10 a.m., SD–106.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Bankruptcy and the Courts, to hold hearings to examine if limiting the scope of civil discovery will diminish accountability

and leave Americans without access to justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of November 5 through 8, 2013

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, at approximately 10 a.m., Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 815, Employment Non-Discrimination Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: November 5, Subcommittee on Conservation, Forestry and Natural Resources, to hold hearings to examine wildfires, 2:30 p.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Armed Services: November 7, to hold hearings to examine the impact of sequestration on the national defense; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217, following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: November 5, to hold hearings to examine housing finance reform, focusing on protecting small lender access to the secondary mortgage market, 10 a.m., SD-538.

November 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine housing finance reform, focusing on essential elements to provide affordable options for housing, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: November 5, Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security, to hold hearings to examine the United States aviation industry and jobs, focusing on keeping American manufacturing competitive, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

November 6, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the "America Creating Opportunities to Meaningfully Promote Excellence in Technology, Education, and Science Act" (America COMPETES), focusing on science and the United States economy, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

November 7, Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance, to hold hearings to examine patent assertion entities, focusing on demand letters and consumer protection, 10 a.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: November 7, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Draft Regional Recommendation regarding the Columbia River Treaty, 9:30 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: November 5, Subcommittee on Oversight, to hold hearings to examine methane emissions from oil and gas operations, 2:30 p.m., SD–406.

Committee on Finance: November 6, to hold hearings to examine health insurance exchanges, focusing on an update from the Administration, 10 a.m., SD–215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: November 5, to hold hearings to examine the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

November 6, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Carolyn Hessler Radelet, of Virginia, to be Director of the Peace Corps, and Michael G. Carroll, of New York, to be Inspector General, United States Agency for International Development, 10:30 a.m., SD–419.

November 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Heather Anne Higginbottom, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Secretary for Management and Resources, Sarah Sewall, of Massachusetts, to be Under Secretary for Civilian Security, Democracy, and Human Rights, and Richard Stengel, of New York, to be Under Secretary for Public Diplomacy, all of the Department of State, 11 a.m., SD—419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: November 5, to hold hearings to examine the online Federal health insurance marketplace, focusing on enrollment challenges and the path forward, 10 a.m., SD–106.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: November 6, business meeting to consider S. 994, to expand the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 to increase accountability and transparency in Federal spending, S. 1611, to require certain agencies to conduct assessments of data centers and develop data center consolidation and optimization plans, S. 1499, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 278 Main Street in Chadron, Nebraska, as the "Sergeant Cory Mracek Memorial Post Office", S. 1512, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1335 Jefferson Road in Rochester, New York, as the "Specialist Theodore Matthew Glende Post Office", and the nominations of William Ward Nooter, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, and Tony Hammond, of Missouri, and Nanci E. Langley, of Hawaii, both to be a Commissioner of the Postal Regulatory Commission, 10 a.m., SD-342.

November 6, Subcommittee on Emergency Management, Intergovernmental Relations, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine the ongoing recovery from Hurricane Sandy one year later, 2:30 p.m., SD–342.

November 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine Social Security disability benefits, focusing on if judges, doctors, and lawyers abused programs, part II, 10 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: November 5, Subcommittee on Bankruptcy and the Courts, to hold hearings to examine if limiting the scope of civil discovery will diminish accountability and leave Americans without access to justice, 10 a.m., SD–226.

November 6, Full Committee, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Bureau of Prisons and cost-effective strategies for reducing recidivism, 10 a.m., SD–226.

November 6, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Michelle T. Friedland, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Christopher Reid Cooper, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, Gerald Austin McHugh, Jr., and Edward G. Smith, both to be a United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, and M. Douglas Harpool, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Missouri, 2:30 p.m., SD–226.

November 7, Subcommittee on Oversight, Federal Rights and Agency Action, to hold hearings to examine rules delayed on auto safety and mental health, 1:30 p.m., SD–226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: November 6, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Sloan D. Gibson, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Secretary, Linda A. Schwartz, of Connecticut, to be Assistant Secretary for Policy and Planning, and Constance B. Tobias, of Maryland, to be Chairman of the Board of Veterans' Appeals, all of the Department of Veterans Affairs, 10 a.m., SR–418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: November 5, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

November 7, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

Special Committee on Aging: November 6, to hold hearings to examine transportation, focusing on independence for seniors, 2:15 p.m., SD–562.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House. The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS January 3 through October 31, 2013

January 3 through October 31, 2013

	Senate	House	Total	Civilian nominations, totaling 433, disposed of as follows:	
Days in session	131	138		Confirmed	205
Time in session	912 hrs., 19'	669 hrs., 44'		Unconfirmed	203
Congressional Record:					7
Pages of proceedings	7,779	6,958		Withdrawn	/
Extensions of Remarks		1,620			
Public bills enacted into law	11	36	47	Other Civilian nominations, totaling 1,288, disposed of as follows:	
Private bills enacted into law				Confirmed	16
Bills in conference	2	2		Unconfirmed	1,272
Measures passed, total	289	308	597		1,2/2
Senate bills	45	11			
House bills	40	169		Air Force nominations, totaling 5,458, disposed of as follows:	
Senate joint resolutions				Confirmed	5,220
House joint resolutions	2	16		Unconfirmed	238
Senate concurrent resolutions	13	12			
House concurrent resolutions	13	14		Army nominations, totaling 6,676, disposed of as follows:	
Simple resolutions	176	86		Army nonmations, totaling 0,070, disposed of as follows:	
Measures reported, total	*186	*249	435	Confirmed	6,193
Senate bills	120	4		Unconfirmed	483
House bills	9	189			
Senate joint resolutions	2			Navy nominations, totaling 3,836, disposed of as follows:	
House joint resolutions				, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	2.020
Senate concurrent resolutions	1			Confirmed	3,828
House concurrent resolutions		4		Unconfirmed	7
Simple resolutions	54	52		Withdrawn	1
Special reports	13	7			
Conference reports				Marine Corps nominations, totaling 762, disposed of as follows:	
Measures pending on calendar	164	71		Confirmed	761
Measures introduced, total	1,973	4,010	5,983	Unconfirmed	
Bills	1,638	3,445			•
Joint resolutions	27	101			
Concurrent resolutions	24	63		Summary	
Simple resolutions	284	401		m 1	
Quorum calls	4	1		Total nominations carried over from the First Session	0
Yea-and-nay votes	227	267		Total nominations received this Session	,
Recorded votes		302		Total confirmed	, -
Bills vetoed				Total unconfirmed	,
Vetoes overridden				Total withdrawn	8
				Total returned to the White House	0

^{*}These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 115 written reports have been filed in the Senate, 256 reports have been filed in the House.

Next Meeting of the SENATE 10 a.m., Tuesday, November 5

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 2 p.m., Tuesday, November 12

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 815, Employment Non-Discrimination Act.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: The House is scheduled to meet at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, November 12, 2013 pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 62.



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